

REMARKS

In response to the restriction requirement, Applicant hereby elects Species A) and Subspecies 1). Applicant respectfully submits that claims 1-3, 15-16, 19-24 and 58
5 are readable on the elected Species and the elected Subspecies. Examination of the elected claims on the merits is respectfully requested.

By this amendment, claims 4-14, 17-18, 25-57 and 59 are withdrawn. However, Applicant reserves the right to file one or more divisional applications based on the
10 withdrawn claims. Moreover, Applicant expressly requests consideration of the withdrawn claims as follows:

Should the Examiner find claim 1 allowable, Applicant respectfully requests that claims 4-14 be considered for examination by virtue of their dependency on claim 1.
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Should the Examiner find claim 16 allowable, Applicant respectfully requests that claims 17-18 be considered for examination by virtue of their dependency on claim 15.

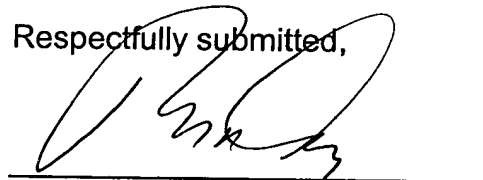
20 Should the Examiner find claim 20 allowable, Applicant respectfully requests that claims 25-46 and 47-57 be considered for examination by virtue of their dependency on claim 20.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the elected claims 1-3, 15-16, 19-24 and 58 are in condition for allowance and the Notice of Allowance at an early
5 date is earnestly solicited.

If the application is not considered to be in full condition for allowance, for any reason, the Applicant respectfully requests the constructive assistance and suggestions of the Examiner in drafting one or more acceptable claims pursuant to MPEP 707.07(j) or in
10 making constructive suggestions pursuant to MPEP 706.03 so that the application can be placed in allowable condition as soon as possible and without the need for further proceedings.

Respectfully submitted,



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